

Supervisor Romaine and Councilwoman Bonner Announce Animal Shelter to Open on Sundays Starting December 1 To Encourage Free Adoptions During the Holidays

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No-fee adoption, spay, neuter and vaccinations continue until end of year

Farmingville, NY - Supervisor Ed Romaine and Councilwoman Jane Bonner have announced that the Brookhaven Town Animal Shelter and Adoption Center will be open on Sundays from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm starting December 1. The change was made to encourage pet adoptions during the holiday season and to make it more convenient to adopt on weekends. The shelter will be closed on Wednesdays starting December 4.

In October, Supervisor Romaine and the Town Council adopted a resolution to extend the adoption, spay, neuter and vaccination fee waiver until December 31. Normal adoption fees range from \$5.00 for a dog that has been neutered or spayed by the shelter; \$10.00 for a dog that has been previously neutered or spayed; \$10.00 for a cat that has been previously neutered or spayed and \$0 for a cat that has been neutered or spayed by the shelter. The cost to spay or neuter a cat is \$35.00 and \$40.00 for a dog. The Town will also continue to issue free licenses for adopted dogs. Supervisor Romaine said, "The holidays are a wonderful time for anyone who is thinking about adopting a pet to come down to the Animal Shelter and meet our cats and dogs. These animals have so much to give and hopefully some will be adopted and brought home to a loving family."

Councilwoman Jane Bonner, who serves as the Town Council Liaison to the Animal Shelter said, "Our free adoption program has been very successful and I encourage animal lovers to visit the shelter during holidays. Now it will be even more convenient with our new Sunday hours for people to bring a furry friend home for the holidays."

Those who are interested in adopting a pet should visit the Brookhaven Animal Shelter and Adoption Center located at 300 Horseblock Road in Brookhaven. The center is currently open Monday through Friday from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm and Saturday from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. It is closed on Sundays. For more information about adopting a pet, please visit the Brookhaven Animal Shelter and Adoption Center, call 631-286-4940 or go to www.brookhaven.org/animalshelter.

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